

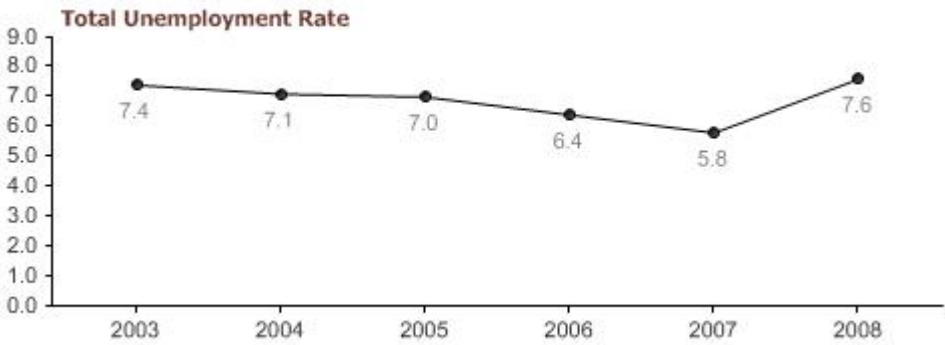
Blackford County, IN Highlights

Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2008

	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000
Labor Force	6,611	-6.4%
Employed	6,110	-9.8%
Unemployed	501	70.4%
Rate	7.6	81.0%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Force Estimates

	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Area Rate	State Rate
1998	6,610	6,302	308	4.7	2.9
1999	6,513	6,240	273	4.2	2.9
2000	7,065	6,771	294	4.2	2.9
2001	7,093	6,704	389	5.5	4.2
2002	7,008	6,568	440	6.3	5.2
2003	6,880	6,370	510	7.4	5.3
2004	6,724	6,249	475	7.1	5.3
2005	6,804	6,327	477	7.0	5.4
2006	6,715	6,283	432	6.4	5.0
2007	6,577	6,198	379	5.8	4.6
2008	6,611	6,110	501	7.6	5.9

